

The Truth That Transforms: The Book Of Romans
“The Truth About God’s Transforming Grace” Romans 6:1-13
Cornerstone Church of Poway
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Big Idea: If we want real life change, we must allow God’s Word to transform us.

The Truth About God’s Transforming Grace

1. His Grace Doesn’t Give Us A License To Sin

“Well then, **should we keep on sinning** so that God can show us more and more of his wonderful grace? **Of course not!** Since **we have died to sin**, how can we continue to live in it? Or have you forgotten that when we were **joined** with Christ Jesus in baptism, we **joined him in his death**? For we died and were **buried with Christ by baptism**. And just as Christ was **raised from the dead** by the glorious power of the Father, **now we also may live new lives**. Since we have been **united with him in his death**, we will also be **raised to life as he was**.”

Romans 6:1-5 (NLT2)

"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven *will enter*. "Many will say to Me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?' "And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; DEPART FROM ME, YOU WHO PRACTICE LAWLESSNESS.'

Matthew 7:21-23 (NASB)

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2. His Grace Breaks The Power And Bondage Of Sin

“We know that **our old sinful selves were crucified with Christ** so that **sin might lose its power in our lives. We are no longer slaves to sin**.

For when we died with Christ **we were set free from the power of sin**.”

Romans 6:6-7 (NLT2)

“And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him. Don’t copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God’s will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.” **Romans 12:1-2 (NLT2) Remember Verse**

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3. His Grace Frees Us To Live New Life In Christ

“And since we **died** with Christ, **we know we will also live with Him**. We are sure of this because Christ was **raised from the dead**, and He will never die again. **Death no longer has any power over him**. When he died, he died once to **break the power of sin**. **But now that he lives, he lives for the glory of God.**”
Romans 6:8-10 (NLT2)

Positionally, The Believer:

- **Receives a "New Life"**

“For you have been **born again**, but not to a life that will quickly end. Your **new life** will **last forever** because it comes from the **eternal**, living word of God.”

1 Peter 1:23 (NLT2)

- **Receives A "New Heart"**

“And I will give them singleness of heart and put a new spirit within them. I will take away their **stony**, stubborn heart and give them a tender, **responsive heart**, so they will obey my decrees and regulations. Then they will truly be my people, and I will be their God.” **Ezekiel 11:19-20 (NLT2)**

“So you also should consider yourselves to be **dead to the power of sin** and **alive to God through Christ Jesus**. Do not let sin control the way you live; do not give in to sinful desires. **Do not let any part of your body become an instrument of evil to serve sin**. Instead, **give yourselves completely to God**, for you were dead, but now you **have new life**. So **use your whole body as an instrument to do what is right for the glory of God.**” **Romans 6:11-13 (NLT2)**

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➤ **How are you living the crucified and resurrected life?**

My next right step, I will:

- [] Accept Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior
- [] Review the Talk It Over notes with someone
- [] Follow Jesus in Believer's Baptism July 11, 2021
- [] Attend Family Beach Day at Silver Strand

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Icebreaker for families: What is the closest you came to losing your life?

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Read Romans 6:1-5

What motivates you to live a good life?

In this passage, “death” and “died” are used several times. What is the main point Paul is trying to make? How is the image of baptism an image of what Christ did?

In what ways do people become slaves to sin?

Read Matthew 7:21-23

What did Jesus reveal as the will of the Father? [John 3:16; Matthew 22:37-40]

What does it mean that he “never knew them”?

What was their lifestyle like?

2. His Grace Breaks The Power And Bondage Of Sin

Read Romans 6:6-7

How can a person escape this bondage?

What do you do with the flashbacks and voices that keep reminding you of your past?

Read Romans 12:1-2

In what areas do you think that some Christians conform where they shouldn’t?

What does it mean to offer your bodies a living sacrifice?

3. His Grace Frees Us To Live New Life In Christ
Read Romans 6:8-13

What does it mean to be dead to sin?

If we are dead to sin, how do we keep sinning?

How would you practice verses 11-13?

Where do you need to be dead to sin and alive to God?

Close in Prayer: Start praying. Be bold and pray specifically.
